

# Estimated Measures of Sampling Variability for End-of-Year Retail Inventories Held Inside and Outside the United States by Kind of Business: 2004 and 2005

[Estimates are shown as percents and are based on data from the Annual Retail Trade Survey. Estimates have been adjusted using results of the 2002 Economic Census]

NAICS Code	Kind of business	Coefficients of variation for						Standard errors for			
		Total inventories		Inventories held inside the U.S.		Inventories held outside the U.S.		Percent of total inside the U.S.		Percent of total outside the U.S.	
		2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004
	<b>Retail inventories, total .....</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>Z</b>	<b>Z</b>	<b>Z</b>	<b>Z</b>
	Total (excl. motor vehicle and parts dealers) .....	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.4	1.8	1.9	Z	Z	Z	Z
441	Motor vehicle and parts dealers .....	1.4	0.9	1.4	0.9	14.7	12.9	Z	Z	Z	Z
442	Furniture, home furnishings, electronics, and appliance stores .....	1.5	1.3	1.5	1.4	4.3	5.0	Z	Z	Z	Z
443	Electronics and appliance stores .....	1.2	1.3	1.2	1.3	5.4	2.3	Z	Z	Z	Z
444	Building mat. and garden equip. and supplies dealers .....	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.6	17.0	9.1	Z	Z	Z	Z
445	Food and beverage stores .....	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.8	24.8	23.7	Z	Z	Z	Z
446	Health and personal care stores .....	1.5	1.3	1.5	1.3	7.3	7.9	Z	Z	Z	Z
447	Gasoline Stations .....	3.9	3.7	3.9	3.7	0.0	0.0	Z	Z	Z	Z
448	Clothing and clothing access. stores .....	2.0	1.8	2.0	1.8	3.1	2.6	Z	Z	Z	Z
451	Sporting goods, hobby, book, and music stores .....	1.4	1.0	1.4	1.0	2.5	2.1	Z	Z	Z	Z
452	General merchandise stores .....	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.7	0.4	Z	Z	Z	Z
453	Miscellaneous store retailers .....	2.0	2.4	2.0	2.4	25.4	25.6	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
454	Nonstore retailers .....	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.8	8.1	8.6	Z	Z	Z	Z

(Z) Estimate is less than 0.05.

Note: Estimates exclude food services. Information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, sample design, and definitions can be found on the Internet at <[www.census.gov/mrts/www/nrely.html](http://www.census.gov/mrts/www/nrely.html)>.

